Points of Sail

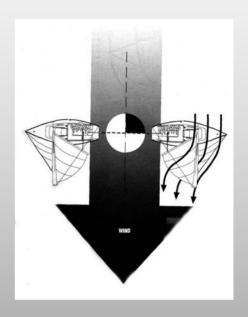
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Across the Wind

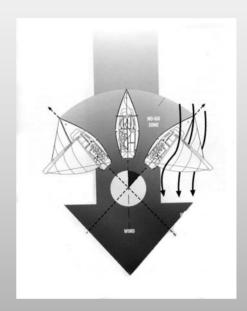
- Wind is on the beam
- Wind coming across the boat
- Boat course perpendicular to the wind
- Reaching
- Sails are about
 ½ way out
- Easy, fun and lively!





Upwind

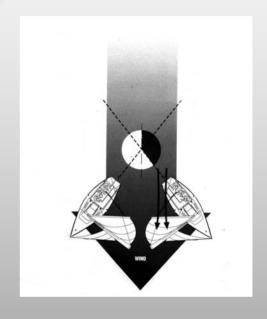
- Sailing <u>close</u> to where the wind is coming <u>from</u>
 - About 45 deg
- Close-hauled
- Sails trimmed inboard
- Sit on "high" windward side
 - Opposite boom
 - Anti-healing
- Wind and waves are in your face
 - looking forward
- Exhilarating!





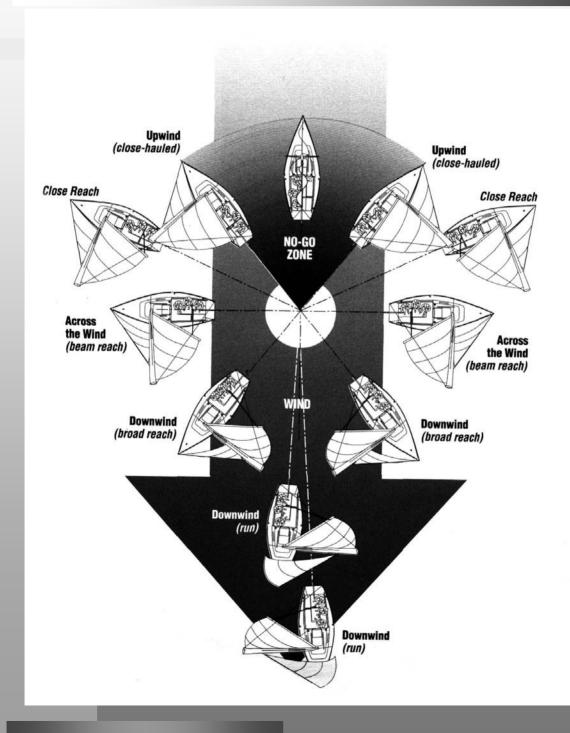
Downwind

- Wind coming from astern
 - Sailing away
- Wind and waves follow
- Sails almost all the way out
 - perpendicular to wind
- Running
- Sailing at slight angle is safer, faster, easier
 - Wind over quarter (corner)
- Very relaxing





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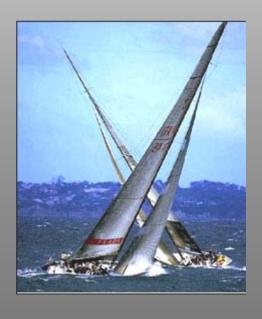


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* not a point of sail

Summary

